houses, which automatically became State property, are now administered by the ILL (Intreprinderea locuints Localuri - lodgings and Space Enterprise) Offices. Aside from the people whom the RFR Government has labelled as 'war criminals', 'Nazis', 'fascists', 'collaborators', 'capitalists', and all their relatives (which people had all their real estate and almost all their belongings confiscated, before being sent to labor camps), there still remains in the RFR a certain middle class of proprietors of apartments, or small houses, etc. (The small houses exist mostly in the suburbs of Bucharest.) Though these people still own real estate, the very high income taxes for those apartments and houses result in no profit whatsoever for the owner. In fact, in many cases, income taxes exceed the yearly rent by as much as 20%. The MFR Government prefers to give people the illusion of independent ownership, take the taxes, and, at the same time, have lets worries with the administration of these real estates. Undoubtedly the State would take a loss in the event of a total mationalization of houses because of the high administrative expenses. Therefore, the houses belong to private individuals, administered by their owners, but the owners' activities are limited to collecting rent from the tenants and giving it over to the State. The owner is actually, therefore, an unpaid administrative employee of the RFR. During the spring of 1952, a general population census was taken. This census was combined with one of all private and ILL administered lodgings. Now the SL (Spatiul Locativ - Housing Office) offices of the City-Sector People's Boards have a sketch of very apartment and house existing in all formanian towns and cities. So, the SL and ILL Offices have a complete and up-to-date record of all persons residing in

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any of these lodgings. By a special provision of law, dated 15 May 1953 (still valid), called 'Reglementarea Spatiului Locativ' (Provision governing location of lodgings and rents), no individual can set a rent for a room, apartment, or house without the approval of the SL and HL offices. It must also be remembered that no advertising for a lodging exists in local papers. In fact, the classified ad column has been abolished in all Rumanian papers. (If a person has lost his LO Card, he may advertise for it only in the 'Monitorul Official' - Official Gazetue, which prints all laws passed by the Presidium.)

2. " For outline relevant to the following information, see Enclosure N.

Reserved Powers of the SL Office:

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- a. keeps a special record, with sketches, of all private and III. administered apartments and houses.
- b. determines the 'living space' for any individual or family, regardless of whether the property is privately owned or not.
- c. receives application for lodging from individuals.
- d. issues the 'orders' of spece to the ILL Offices.
- 6. controls living space in apartments and houses.
- 1. issues orders of eviction or transfer of tenants from one ledging to another, or from one town to another.

Reserved Powers of the III Offices; (the III is but the administrator of the SI Office, its task being limited to the following):

- a. repairs and transformations of houses or apartments.
- b. receiving Orders for Space, aviction, and transfer of tenants from the SI Office.
- c. making rant contracts with tenants of rooms, apartments and houses.
- d. determining the amount of rent tensors should pay their private proprietors.
- e. determining the amount of went bemants should pay in III administered lodgings.
- f. receiving rents from t-mants occupying ILL lodgings. (Payment of rent can be made at the ILL Offices, or to the ILL delegate).

Heserved Powers of the HEP (Rivous de Evidente Al Population - Office of Population Control /?/) &

- a. controls the Street Responsible, Bouse or Block Responsible.
- b. issues a Carte de Imobil (House Begistry), to any House or Block Responsible, regardless of whether the property is ILL administered or private.

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- c. controls the House Megistry at all times.
- d. Affixes vises in the House Registry any time a tenant moves into or out of a house, regardless of whether property is private or III. administered.
- receives applications for extension of a stay, in the cases of temporary residence (only for Rumanian citizens).
- f. affixes 'in' and 'out' vises on the ID cards (for Rumanians only), for both temporary and permanent residence.

Chared Powers:

keeping an up-to-dats record of any individual residing in private or ILL administered lodgings.

3. "Individuals through whom control is exercised:

- the Delegate III (Delegate of the III) is normally a woman, either a UFDR (Uniunea Femell or Democrate Romans the Union of Democratic Woman) member or a PMR Party member (this, however, is a rather rere case). Her functions are:
 - to inform the III of the eventual needs of a block, building, house, or apartment (including repairs, transformations, etc.) of III administered property.
 - to distribute the Nota do Plata a Chirici (rent bill) every month to all tenants.
 - 3. to receive rants from all temants, and, after paying it to the IIL Office, to distribute receipts to the temants concerned. Payment of rant can be made, however, even directly to the IIL Offices.
 - to control the Carte de Imobil, to see whether it is correctly made out by the House, Black or Building Responsible, for both III. administered and private property.
 - 5. to keep a record and nominal roll, including time-sheets, for all personnel on the ILL payroll: hell porters, operators of central heating boilers, etc.

The III delegate is unpaid. There is one delegate for every two Of three charets, though much depends on the street's size and the number of buildings existing on it. Each delegate was attached to the nearest III office, as the offices were scattered throughout each City-Sector.

b. the Responsabila de Struda (Street Responsible) in in most cases a woman, a FMR washer, and, more, a reliable Party member. She is unpaid and is connected with the Biroul de Cadre (Personnel Office) of the City-Sector People's Beard, by which she is also appointed. This is a political position. The duties are as follows:

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- 1. to issue reports of a political nature on all individuals residing on a given street.
- to control, if deemed advisable, the Carte de Imobil, the IIL delegate of the house or apartment, whether ILL administered or privately owned.
- 3. to keep in close contact with the Cadres Office of the City Sector People's Board, and with the HEP and III. Offices, for the control of all movements of persons in or out of lodgings.
- h. to issue recommendations for application for lodging, which are then forwarded to the SL Office.

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to issue recommendations on applications. Applied to the Street Responsible, application recommended and counter-signed by the Street Responsible. The application was to be forwarded to the City-Sector People's Board of the N. Balcescu City Sector, in order to obtain a few kilos or 'balst de fier' (thin strip of iron for Linding luggage). The Commence Section of the City Sector Feople's Board approved the application, and the iron required was bought in a Ferometel Store

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- C. The Responsabil de Blee! (Block or Building Responsible);
 Responsabil de Casa! (House Responsible). Every house, building or spartnert, regardless of whether it was privately owned or administered by the III, had its own Responsible. If the private proprietor occupied his own house, he was the House Responsible. In a big building (some Bucharest buildings had as many as 20 apertments), a so-called bloc!, the REP Office appointed a Building Responsible. In this case, there was an additional Responsible, called an Apartment Responsible, who was but the principal tenant of the apartment. The tasks of the Building or house responsibles were:
 - 1. to receive from the HEP the House Registry.
 - to inform the BEP of any person's arrival, in the event that the person was sleeping after his 2h hours of grace had alapsed.
 - to keep the House Registry up to dates i.e., arrivals and departures of all persons, including temporary residents.
 - 4. to take the House Registry to the EEP Office, together with the Id cards of the persons in the house, so that the Militia Officer in the EEP Office could check personal data on the Registry itself, and affix his signature on the Registry and the ID card.
 - 5. to make sure that the Tablou de Locateri (Roll of Tenants, not including temporary residents), is placed in the hall of the building's entrance, and to make the necessary changes, if any take place through definite transfer of persons to another town,

In a 'bloc', a Responsible of an apartment has limited tasks, since there is already a Building Responsible. In this case the Apartment Responsible is bound to notify the Building Responsible of any new arrival in the building who is asleep, etc., after 2h hours. In private houses the owner of the house or apartment assumes the tasks

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of the Ruilding Responsible, if he lives in the house or apartment he owne. If not, the tenant assumes the tanks of Building Responsible.

- h. "Living Spaces According to les governing living space, any individual is entitled to eight square moters of living space, plus an additional four square meters 'toleranta'. This space is the 'sleaping space' to which a person is entitled, and does not include the area of a small corridor.
- 5. Rost Categories, calculation of rents while the SI Office determined the living space, the III Office determined the rent. Categories of parsons and calculation of rent were directly connected to the social origin of the individual concerned, his profession, etc., and were as follows:
 - a. parson in the field of labor: a single man or woman in the field of labor, or a married couple, both in the field of labor, if their monthly relary did not exceed 750 Lei each: rent was calculated on the basis of 1.50 Lei per square mater of living space.
 - b. 'Hibari prefesionisti' (ires professionals): these people, net within the field of labor, had a 50% increase in rout per square mater, (see above).
 - c. private business man (shop owner) s this category of person ic subject to a 100% increase in rent, per square meter.
 - de relations of war criminals, and important capitalistes this category is charged a 200% increase in rant per square moter.

There were also cartain deductions, and additions, in the calculation of rents.
Three kinds of buildings existed: caramida (brick); paisnts (earth); and beten
(reinforced concrete). Sees of the adjustments in rents are given below:

- individuals within the field of labor who received a monthly salary of less than 750 Lei were permitted a 0.05 Band deduction per square later, for every 100 Lei less than 750 received per month. For example, a monthly salary of 750 Leix rent charged is 1.50 Lei per square meter; a monthly salary of 400 Leis rant charged is 1.325 Lei per square meter.
- a room without kitchen facilities had a 0.05 Boni reduction per every 100 Let of malary earned less than 750 Let per month.
- a room with contral heating had a 10% increase in rante
- a room with kitchen facilities had a 5% increase in rent.
- a room with bath had a 5% increase in the calculation of rent.

Maturally, there were certain adjustments, seconding to the kind of ledging; all factors were linked to: the category of ledging, the category of person, ledging facilities. Calculation of rents was difficult became of the many considerations involved in the establishment of any given rent.

6. Every tenant, after receiving the Order of Space /acc Enclosure By, and
Proof of Entering Space /acc Enclosure C/ from the Sh Office, had to sign the
contract with the ILL. The contract was valid for one year; one copy of it
remained in the ILL files, the other was given to the tenant. Even the restal
of a single row required a contract. The validity of the contract was sameticated
by the Finance Section of the City Sector People's Board. The same calculation

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of rent is made for privately owned buildings, and the contract is nearly the same, but, in this case, it is made between the owner and the tenant. Extra copies of contracts were kept in the files of the ITL and the Finance Section of the People's Board concerned, the latter one sanctioning the contract after approval is granted by the ITL. But the Order of Space, even in these cases, must first be approved by the SL Mice. A typical example of calculations for privately owned houses follows. It is based on a proprietor who has a total net income of 1000 lei per annume

- a. if proprietor is within the field of labor, taxes amount to approximately 55% of the total net income per year.
- b. if proprietor is married, and within the field of labor, but his wife is not (though property is in the name of both husband and wife), taxes will amount to approximately 75% of the total nat income purpose. (In this case, the wife is not eligible for tax deduction. If both are in the field of labor, then they fall in category a., above).
- c. if the proprietor is a business man, or in any other category not within the field of labor, taxes almost always exceed the total net income per year. I owned an apartment which was occupied by a tenant. The apartment had four rooms, a bath and a kitchen. I received 980 lei yearly from the tenant, in rent, and paid 1,120 lei per year to the State in taxes.
- 7. "Electric Power, Disposal of Sawage and other Waste; Water Supply: water consumption costs 1.50 lei per cubic meter. It is payable every month to the special employee of the State Enterprise (I cannot rumember the name of the enterprise,) which is supervised by the People's Board. The amount paid monthly includes the removal of sawage, garbage, and other waste. Receipts are given at time of payment. Electric power is paid as follows: winter rate, 1.50 lei per MMH; summer rate, 1.17 lei per MMH. In Bucharest there was no consumption of gas. Electric power consumption was paid for monthly, directly to the employee of the State Enterprise concerned. Receipts were issued directly to the employee, for the amount received from him.
- 8. Priorities Granted by the SL Offices: officially, no provision of law permits priorities for any individuals. Unofficially, however, the following priorities exist in the order indicated:
 - high Government officials
 - personnel of the MSS, MAI, and MFA Ministries (depending on rank)
 - Stakhanovites and all workers awarded the 'Ordinul Muncil' (Work Order)
 - actors, writers, singers
 - common PMR Party members
 - all others
- 9. "Formalities for obtaining Living Space:
 - a. a written application is forwarded to the SL Office of the City Sector People's Board under the jurisdiction of which the applicant resides. (No stamps are required for the mailing of the application). If the application bears the recommendation of the Street Responsible, it is given 'certain consideration'.

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be after from five to six months, minimum, a special Commission from the SI Office undertakes the zo-called 'Verificate la fate locului's (verification of the place), to ascertain living conditions, space, etc. This is merely a way of giving applicants a "hard time", since the SI Office known very well what the living conditions are, and all details of any given locating.

- co an SL Office Board mosts to determine the should be granted the space, on the basis of all applications for basis worde. If he knows, the applicant may natify the SL Office of any mentions of access the everything proceeds smoothly, one may get a new wildly space in a minimum of two years. Let us suppose that a new living spare has been granted to an individual, and follow the formalities with which he must comply, prior to entering the lodging; (bear in mind that he furnished room assignments exist, or are made through the SL Office. If approval is granted for living space, the applicant is instructed - by post card to report to the SL Office): the SL Office issues the applicant a so-called Order of Space /Enclosure B, and Proof of Entering Space /Enclosure C. The Order of Space is given to the Building Responsible, House Responsible, or main tenant, as the case may be. The keys from the old room are given to the main tenant or Building Responsible person must swear that he has informed the House or Building Responsible, and that his name has been cancelled from the House Hegistry tion in the House Registry of the new house or bunkning as required Keys to the new apartment, room, etc. are given the new tenant by the main tenant of the House or Building Responsible Entering Space remains in possession of the parin the state of concerned, as it is only shown to the main tenance. Building Responsible. The Order of Space serves to complete the contract with the ILL Office. It remains in the ILL file, the tenant keeping only a copy of the contract. Since space in privately owned apartments and houses in also determined by the SL Offices, the same procedure and formalities apply. The difference is that the contract is made between the private individual and the tenant, the order of Space is given to the proprietor, and the ILL and Finance Section of the People's Board concerned sanction the contract. The ILL, in addition, determines the amount of rent payable by tenant. Registration in the House Registry is made as follows:
 - ID card is given to House or Building Responsible
 - pursonal data is registered by the House or Building Responsible in the House Registry.
 - the House or Building Responsible takes the House Registry and the ID card of individual concerned to the HEP Militia Office, where the Militia Officer in charge checks personal data with the ID card, signs the Registry and stamps the ID card.

Big buildings, especially those having many spartments, have a name roll of tenants in the entrance hall of the building see Enclosure D. Any changes indicated are made by the Building or House Responsible.

10. "Obtaining Lodgings by Bribery: The old habit of accepting bribes exists still. The procedure requires certain discretion, of course. Supposing a State employee has been notified of his transfer to another town for work. He is notified in advance of his impending transfer. By law, when an individual moves out of a house or apartment, he is required to notify the SL Office. So he locates a reliable friend with whom he may negotiate for a new lodging. Normally, the

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price for two rooms with bath and kitchen is 3000 Le1. When the price has been agreed upon, the individual goes through four or five other friends [7], and finally the two parties involved each pay a 500 Let 'Bacsia' (bribe) to an employee of the SL. Five hundred Lei represents one month's pay, and, for that amount, the employee of the Housing Office issues a new order of spaces to the person moving into the apartment, disguising the whole business by saying that the new temant is a relative of the tenant moving out, and that the old tenant is willing to accept him. The move into the apartment must take place at least a week in advance. The tenant moving out notifies the SL Office that he has been transferred to snother town, and moves out very simply. Now, the tenant who moved in a week before automatically becomes the new tenant of the rooms or spartment.

- 11. Movements within and without cities. (The cases described below will hold true only for non-border areas. Persons travelling to and from border zone areas require a special permit, the issue of which is unknown to me); this is an individual moving from Sucharest to Stelin (Brasov), on a temporary transfer:
 - a. upon departure the individual is not required to notify anyone.
 - b. within 24 hours of arrival, the individual must notify the House or Building Responsible or the main tenant.
 - c. the main tenant gives the House or Building Responsible the ID card of the individual occupying the room. He furnishes full data, such as reason for visit, estimated length of resy, etc.
 - d- House or Building Responsible books all data in the House Registry and takes the House Registry and ID card to the EEP Office of the City Sector Militia, giving them all data on the temporary resident, or 'Flotant'. In the case of a 'Flotant', the individual himself is not required to report to the EEP Office with the House or Building Responsible. The EEP Office counter signs the House Registry and affixes an entry visa to the ID card.
 - . the T card is then returned to the individual.
 - f. a few days later, a Militia man from the BEP Office visits the House or Suilding Responsible and undertakes an investigation of the person arrived. The Militia man also re-checks the House Registry and may even interrogate the individual in question. On occasion, the individual is called to the EEP Office for questioning.
 - g. the normal period of temporary residence is up to 4 month; an extension may be granted up to three months, depending on the HEP Office and the reasons for which the applicant mants the extension. (A medical certificate from a private physician will do, provided it has been countersigned by the physician from the Samitary Dispensary.)

Following are the formalities made by the same individual moving back, 1.c. from Stalin (Brasov) to Bucharest:

- h. there are no departure formalities. The main tenant must verbally notify the Building or House Responsible that his tenant has departed.
- 1. upon returning to Bucharest, the individual must notify the House or Building Responsible directly. The individual's ID eard is taken by the House or Building Responsible, and the HEP affixes a new stamp of arrival on the card. (Thus, the two stamps on the card are, in effect, an exit and an entry permit.) This procedure holds true for all

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	12. Foreign	nationals are not mitted to move with	permitted to leave the ou in a 30 km radius of the	tskirts of Buchs Bucharest city o	rest. They enter. Any

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other move requires permission from the Office for the Control of Foreigners of the City Sector Militia. Permission is gravted after the filing of an application, and valid reasons for the transfer. If permission is granted, visas are affixed by the Office for the Control of Foreigners, on the special TD card for foreigners at time of departure and arrival. In addition, a foreigner must notify his House or Building Responsible of such a transfer. (Simultaneous with the issuance of a new ID card for foreigners; was the issuance of a new ID card for Rumanian citizens.

- 13. There are two types of residences normal and temporary. Normal residence may be granted onl in the following cases:
 - a. by transfer, if the person is a State employee.
 - b. by marriage. If the wife requests residence in the place where her husband resides, this is not difficult; but if the husband wishes transfer to the place where his wife resides it is more difficult and takes some time. However, it is usually granted.
 - c. overwage persons requesting transfer to live with a relative who is head of a family, if the individual has no means of self-support, (and even if he is not within the field of labor). The head of a family applying for such a transfer must have the approval of the SI Office.

In all cases, above, the SL Office must be notified upon arrival anddeparture. A definite transfer warrants issuance of a new LB card, the old one being given to the EMP Office upon arrival in the town. A new eard is then issued to the new normal resident.

The SL Offices cannot grant living space to a man and women unmarried. Concubinage is prohibited by las/ and is punishable.

lh. There are three categories of hotels besides the luxury hotels, to which latter the average citizen has no access for financial reasons. The following hotels are in Bucharest:

ist category:
- Hotel Ambessador, on Blr, Magheru (formerly Blv. T. Ionescu). - Hotel Athene Palace, on the Piata Republicei, formerly the Royal Palace

- Hotel Bulevard (new name unknown), on Blv. 6 March.

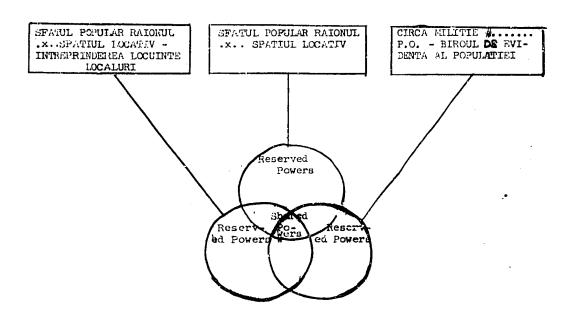
- Hotel Grande (new name unknown), on Victoriei Street, opposite the State Store 'Victoria'.
- Hotel Opera (new name unknown), on Brezeianu Street behind Cismigiu Park.

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ENCLOSURE A: Organizational Chart of SL, ILL, and BEP Offices - Showing Areas of Jurisdiction

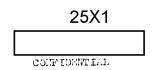


SFATUL POPULAR RAIONUL...X - INTREPRINDEREA LOCULINTE LOCALURI, or ILL: These People's Board, City Sector X. Lodgings and Space Enterprise, abbreviated term - ILL

SFATUL POPULAR RAIONUL...X..SPATIUL LOCATIV: (same as above), but the Housing Office; obbreviated term, SL

CIRCA MILITIE #....P.O. BIROUL DE EVIDENTA AL POPULATIEI: Sub-City-Sector Militia - Guard and Order - Office for the Evidence of the Population; abbreviated form: BEP

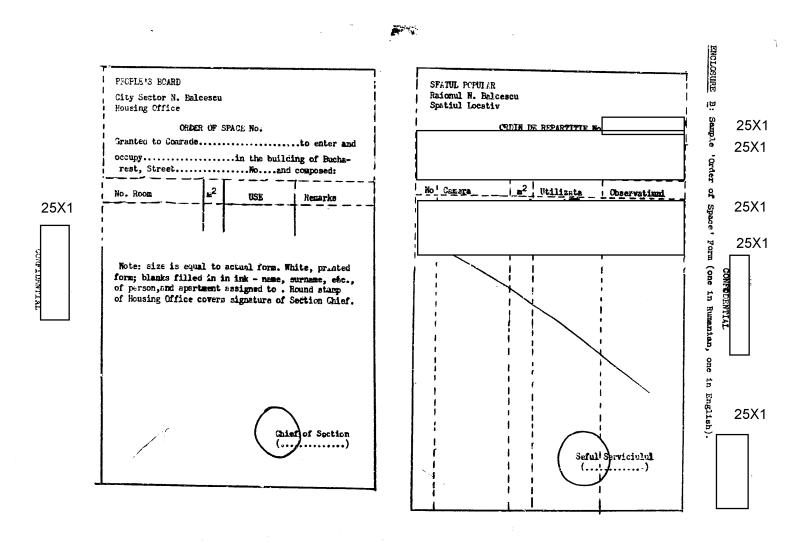
Note: There is only one SL Office in any City-Sector; there are the same number of BEP Offices in a City-Sector as there are sub City-Sector Militia Offices. ILL Offices in all City-Sector People's Boards, as well as two or three per City-Sector.





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ENCLOSURE C: Sample 'Proof of Entering Space' Form: one in English, one in Rumanian.

PEOPLE'S BOARD City Sector N. Balcescu Following the registered application of Comrade...... it is herewith approved effective..... to enter in living space occupied by Comradesituated on Street......No......................... Chief of Section Remarks: white, printed form; size is same as sample above. The blanks are filled in Remarks: white, printed form; size is same as sample above. The planks are filled in in ink (see sample below), as to person's name, where living space has heer designated. The round stamp of the People's Board - Housing Office is affixed over the strature of Chief of Section. This form is commonly called the 'Dovada de Intrat in Spatiu', although it bears no heading. It remains in the possession of the person to whom space has been assigned, after having been shown to House Responsible and principal tenant.

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ENCLOSURE D: Name Roll of Tenants in Building

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Responsabilul de Bloc (......)

Remarks: Approximate size as indicated. The name roster is made by the Building or House Responsible, and placed in the entrance hall. It may be type-written, or hald-written. In private houses, with only one apartment, this form is not required. The information indicated is, from left to right; floor and apartment number, name and surname of tenant, age, sex, profession, where employed. Temporary residence is not indicated on this roll.